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9		Case No. 2:19-bk-14989-WB
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11	SCOOBEEZ, <u>et al</u> .,	Jointly Administered with:
12	Debtors.	2:19-bk-14991-WB; 2:19-bk-14997-WB
13		OBJECTION TO APPLICATION TO EMPLOY ARMORY SECURITIES, LLC
14		AS INVESTMENT BANKER PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §§ 327(A) AND 328(A), RULE 2014 OF THE FEDERAL RULES OF
15 16		BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE AND LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 2014-1;
17		DECLARATION OF HAMID R. RAFATJOO IN SUPPORT THEREOF; AND REQUEST FOR HEARING
18		PURSUANT TO LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 2014-1(b)(5)
19		Hearing:
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TO THE HONORABLE JULIA W. BRAND, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, THE DEBTORS AND THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD, THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE AND ALL OTHER PARTIES IN INTEREST:

Application to Employ Armory Securities, LLC as Investment Banker Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§

Shahan Ohanessian ("Ohanessian") hereby submits this Objection ("Objection") to

327(a) and 328(a), Rule 2014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2014-1 (the "Application") [Docket No. 179], and Request for Hearing pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2014-1(b)(5). In support of this Objection, Ohanessian respectfully represents as

follows:

I. PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The cavalier burn of the Debtors' cash through professional fees must be harnessed for the benefit of these estates and creditors. The Application is devoid of evidence that it is necessary to retain a new professional to serve as investment banker for the Debtors. These cases, with experienced, capable professionals already employed, simply do not warrant that additional financial burden that has little, if any, benefit to the estates or their creditors. Moreover, the Application fails to demonstrate that Armory's compensation is reasonable -- but rather it apparently provides Armory with a potential windfall of compensation without demonstrating that Armory's services benefited the estates or their creditors. Accordingly, the Application should be denied.

II. <u>BACKGROUND</u>¹

A. General.

On April 30, 2019 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), the Debtors each filed a petition for relief under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>"), in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California, Los Angeles Division (the "<u>Court</u>"). The Debtors continue in possession of their property and operate their businesses as debtors-in-possession. No Trustee or examiner has been appointed in these cases. On May 20,

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Application.

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2019, the Office of the United States Trustee appointed an Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") in these cases.

Pursuant to an Order of the Court, dated May 13, 2019, these cases are being jointly administered under Case No. 19-1498 (the "<u>Chapter 11 Cases</u>").

The Debtors are a logistics and delivery company headquartered at 3463 Foothill Boulevard, Glendale, California 91214. Amazon is their largest customer.

According to the Application, over the past two (2) years, an increasing number of lawsuits had been filed against one or more of the Debtors, including various labor disputes. Most recently, on or about April 22, 2019, Hillair Capital Management LLC ("Hillair") filed a three-count complaint against the Debtors, alleging breach of contract, breach of guaranty and replevin and delivery, which is currently pending as case number 19GDCV00492 in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, North Central District (the "Los Angeles Case"). On or about April 24, 2019, Hillair filed an Ex Parte Application to Appoint Receiver, Issue Temporary Restraining Order and Set Order to Show Cause Why Receiver Should Not Be Confirmed and Why Preliminary Injunction Should Not Be Issued (the "Ex Parte Application") in the Los Angeles Case. The hearing on the Ex Parte Application was set for May 1, 2019 at 1:30 p.m., however, the Debtors commenced the Chapter 11 Cases prior to that hearing. In addition, within the past 90-120 days, a number of purported creditors have filed UCC-1 financing statements asserting liens against substantially all, if not all, of the Debtors' personal property, including but not limited to accounts receivable.

B. The Professionals.

On or about May 16, 2019, approximately two weeks after the Petition Date, the Debtors filed an application to retain Brian Weiss of Force 10 Partners LLC ("Force 10"), as Chief Restructuring Officer of the Debtors [Dkt. No. 63] (the "Force 10 Retention Application"). By Order dated, July 12, 2019, the Court approved the Force 10 Retention Application. According to the Force 10 Retention Application, Mr. Weiss "will assist the Debtors in evaluating and implementing strategic and tactical options throughout the Chapter 11 process, among other things." Force 10 Retention Application, 3:18-19.

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On or about May 23, 2019, the Debtors filed an application to employ Conway Mackenzie, Inc. as Financial Advisors [Dkt. No. 90] (the "Conway Retention Application"). That Application remains pending. According to the Conway Retention Application, Conway will, among other things, "work with the Debtors on all aspects of their business operations and financial matters, as well as to assist the Debtors and their general bankruptcy counsel in preparing motions, pleadings, schedules, statements of financial affairs, and other necessary bankruptcy documents." Conway Retention Application, 4:4-8.

On July 8, 2019, the Debtors filed the Application seeking to retain Armory Securities, LLC ("<u>Armory</u>") as Investment Banker Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 327(a) and 328(a), Rule 2014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2014-1.

According to the Application, the "Debtors have determined ... that the size of their business operations and the amount of asserted secured and unsecured claims require them to employ an investment banker with knowledge of the Debtors' industry and business and experience with the chapter 11 process to assist with exploring sale and capital raising alternatives." Application, 3:13-17. According to the Engagement Letter, ³ Armory is being engaged to provide investment banking services with respect to a possible chapter 11 Sale and/or a Financing (each as defined in the Engagement Letter). Engagement Letter, at 1.

III. <u>OBJECTION</u>

A. Employment of Armory is Not Necessary and The Application Should be Denied.

An application to employ a professional under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code must show "the necessity for the employment" Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2014(a). The Debtor has failed to demonstrate that employment of Armory is necessary; simply, because it is not.

While the Application is replete with conclusory statements and boilerplate retention lingo, it is devoid of evidence that engagement of Armory as an investment banker is necessary or in the

A stipulation resolving objections to the Conway Retention Application was filed with the Court on July 7, 2019 [Dkt. No. 184], but no order approving the application has yet been entered

A copy of the Engagement Letter is annexed as Exhibit A to the Perison Declaration, which was filed with the Application [Dkt. No. 179].

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best interests of these estates and their creditors. At most, the Application asserts "[i]t is necessary for the Debtors' successful completion of this process and cases that the Debtors employ Armory Securities to render the foregoing professional services." Application, 5:10-11. This conclusory assertion provides no evidence that Armory is actually necessary. Why is a separate investment banker necessary? These are not large or complex cases. The Debtors' business is not unique or complicated. The Debtors are a logistics and delivery company with primarily one customer – Amazon. And while it is financially distressed and has both secured and unsecured debt, there is nothing complex about the Debtors' capital structure or operations. A potential buyer will either be interested or not, but nothing is complicated about these cases or any potential sale or refinance transaction.

So how do you find that potential buyer or new lender? Force 10, or one of the other experienced professionals already being compensated, can provide those services (which should not be extensive) more efficiently and economically than a new professional. And what is the value in spending additional estate funds to employ a separate investment banker if Hillair simply credit bids and is the sole and thus prevailing bidder. What is clear is that more professionals and fees, with minimal, if any, benefit to the estates and creditors, are just not justified in these cases.

First, the 13-week cash flow forecast attached as Exhibit 1 to the Court's Order Granting Continued Use of Cash Collateral Pursuant to that Certain Second Stipulation for (1) Authorization to Use Cash Collateral; and (2) Appointment of Chief Restructuring Officer, dated July 3, 2019 [Dkt. No. 172], shows that during the 13-week period ending the week of September 6, 2019, these estates are projected to incur over \$1.5 million in professional fees, while having a negative cash flow of over \$570,000.⁴ See Exhibit A to the Declaration of Hamid R. Rafatjoo ("Rafatjoo Declaration"). That list of professionals includes, the Debtors' counsel, Force 10, as CRO, Conway, as financial advisers, Board of Directors, counsel for the secured lender – Hillair (which is expected to charge more than twice in fees than the Committee's counsel), the Committee's counsel and the Committee's professionals. The professional fee frenzy of \$115,000 per week is

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not sustainable for such a small company and needs to stop – but instead, the Debtors are seeking to add on another professional for hundreds of thousands more in costs. For what benefit? None.

Second, the services outlined for Armory to provide, not surprisingly, overlap with the services to be provided by Conway and/or Force 10. More importantly, Force 10 can provide the narrow investment banking type services that are needed here. Force 10's website notes a variety of services it provides, including "investment banking" services. See Exhibit B to Rafatjoo Declaration. The Force 10 Retention Application expressly provides that "Weiss and Force 10 have substantial experience with providing financial advisory services for entities in chapter 11 including analyzing business operations, *financial modeling*, operational analyses, *capital raising*, asset sales, serving in the capacity of financial advisor, and developing reorganization strategies." Force 10 Retention Application, 3:8-10 (emphasis added). The Force 10 Retention Application also provides that Weiss has a customary hourly rate of \$595 and "if other Force 10 personnel are required, they will be charged at their customary hourly rates of \$225-650 per hour." See Declaration of Brian Weiss annexed to Force 10 Retention Application.

Reviewing the duplicity of the services to be provided by Armory shows that Armory's retention is not necessary:⁵

a. "Familiarizing itself with the business, operations, properties, financial condition and prospects of the Debtors"

- ➤ Both Conway and Force 10 are already familiar with the Debtors and their business.
- Moreover, the Application states that the Debtors require "an investment banker with knowledge of the Debtors' industry and business..." Application, 3:15-16. The Application and Perison Declaration are devoid of evidence that Armory is familiar with the Debtors' industry or business. The Application (which is not evidence) merely states that:

"Established in 2008, Armory Securities is the investment banking division of Armory Group, LLC, a national investment banking and financial advisory firm with offices in Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, Boston, and Dallas. Armory Securities provides clients with a wide range of financial advisory services from mergers and acquisitions, debt or equity financing, special

⁵ These services are listed in the Application, 4-5 and the Engagement Letter, 1-2.

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1		situations and restructuring, as well as general strategic advisory and transaction support.
2		Application, 3:20-24. Nothing is stated about Armory's experience with the
3 4		logistics industry, or prior experience with the Debtors' business – but to the contrary, the Application states Armory expects to "familiarize itself with
5		the business" as part of its services. That's contrary to what the Debtors said they were looking for.
6	b. "Assis	sting the Debtors in evaluating their strategic alternatives"
7	>	Force 10's services already fill that role. Specifically, the Force 10 Retention Application provides that "Weiss will assist Debtors in evaluating and
8		implementing strategic and tactical options throughout the Chapter 11 process." Force 10 Retention Application, 3:18-19.
9		ising and assisting the Debtors in structuring and effecting the <u>financial</u> ts of a Sale and/or Financing" (emphasis added)
	>	Conway and Force 10 are both financial advisors, although only Conway is
11		serving in that official capacity for the Debtors. Regardless, the Debtors do not need to add another financial advisor to this professional roster.
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15	>	The first part of this service description refers to "financial advice" again Conway's role; the latter part provides for identifying potential acquirers.
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23 24		Debtors in preparation of a liquidation analysis, historical <i>financial data</i> and projections" and "[p]repare any additional work product as requested
25		by management and other parties." Conway Retention Application, 4:21-22; 24.
26	>	As noted above, Force 10 also is capable of providing financial modeling services. <u>Supra</u> , 6:2-3.
27	g. "Iden	tifying and soliciting potential transaction parties"
28	>	It is unclear how this service is different from the service described in the
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Restructuring Officer of the Debtors *Nunc Pro Tunc* to May 16, 2019, [Dkt. No. 86] at 8-9. The Committee similarly raised concerns about the duplcitiy of services among the professionals in its opposition to the Force 10 Retention Application. See Dkt. No. 88, at 3.

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of soliciting interests in the Debtors' business much more efficiently and economically than a new investment banker. Nothing more than that is warranted in these cases.

Armory's Proposed Compensation is Not Reasonable and the Application В. Should be Denied.

By the Application, the Debtors seek to compensate Armory pursuant to section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code; not section 330.⁷ Section 328(a) provides that a debtor in possession may, subject to court approval, employ "a professional person under section 327... on any reasonable terms and conditions of employment 11 U.S.C. § 328(a). However, unlike section 330 that provides the Court, and other parties in interest, with the benefit of hindsight when approving a professional's fees, once the terms of the professional's retention are approved by the Court under section 328(a), the professional will be paid pursuant to such pre-approved terms unless "such terms and conditions prove to have been improvident in light of developments not capable of being anticipated at the time of the fixing of such terms and conditions." 11 U.S.C. § 328(a). A court "may not conduct a [section] 330 inquiry into the reasonableness of the fees and their benefit to the estate if the court already has approved the professional's employment under [section] 328." See Friedman Enters. v. B.U.M Int'I Inc. (In re B.U.M. Int'l, Inc.), 229 F.3d 824, 829 (9th Cir. 2000); In re Circle K Corp., 279 F.3d 669, 671 (9th Cir. 2002) (a professional's retention application that unambiguously specifies it seeks approval under § 328 is not subject to review under § 330). Accordingly, the Court must be extra vigilant in ensuring that the reasonableness of the proposed retention has been demonstrated *before* approving such professionals' retention.

Here, Armory's proposed compensation is not reasonable and the Application should be denied. First, it appears that upon the Court's approval of the Application, Armory may be entitled to a minimum of \$200,000 without necessarily providing any services or benefit to these estates.

The Application provides for payment to Armory of a "Monthly Fee" in the amount of \$33,333 payable upon Court approval of the engagement and then "thereafter on the one month and

Ohanessian does not dispute that section 328 (rather than section 330) is an appropriate basis for an investment banker's compensation.

two-month anniversary." Engagement Letter, at 3. However, the Term of the engagement is six (6) months. Engagement Letter, at 5. So either (i) the total "Monthly Fee" is equal to approximately \$100,000 (i.e., \$33.333 x 3 payments) and compensation is being front loaded with payments only in the first two months regardless of whether Armory provides services in months 4 through 6, or (ii) Armory is entitled to \$33,333 per month for up to six months (i.e., totaling \$200,000), regardless of whether Armory is successful in bringing any new bidders to the table or can demonstrate it provided any benefit to the estates and creditors. The Application is unclear as to the intent and, at minimum, the Debtors should clarify what is the maximum aggregate Monthly Fees Armory can be paid under the Engagement Letter and on what terms. What specifically will Armory be doing that is worth \$33,333 per month to these estates? It appears that the estates may derive no benefit and yet Armory would be entitled to be paid somewhere between \$100,000 to \$200,000.

Also, Armory may be entitled to a minimum \$200,000 Transaction Fee just for being engaged and without demonstrating any benefit to these estates or their creditors. Specifically, the engagement provides that:

- a. Armory will receive "[a] fixed fee of \$200,000 in the case of a Sale to the Debtors' existing secured lender or any of its affiliates through a credit bid or other Transaction." (Application, 6:4-5);
- b. "[I]n the event that the existing secured lender or any of its affiliates provides Financing to the Debtors, Armory Securities fee shall be limited to \$200,000 on account of such Financing in lieu of the 2.5%-3.5% identified above and Armory Securities shall be entitled to 4.0% of any additional financing provided by third parties" (Application, 6-7); and
- c. "[T]he minimum fee payable to Armory Securities in connection with any Sale and/or Financing shall not be less than \$200,000." (Application, 7:9-10).

The secured creditor Hillair is already very involved in these cases and has indicated that it may credit bid. If Hillair simply credit bids a di minimis amount and prevails, why should Armory be entitled to \$200,000? Shouldn't there be a minimum credit amount under which Armory is not

Does this mean these three payments are the only "Monthly Fees" Armory would be entitled to and are capped at \$100,000 even if Armory works the full six-month Term? Even if \$100,000 is the minimum fee, and not \$200,000, some benefit to the estates should be demonstrated before that payment is made.

The Engagement Letter notes that the Monthly Fees paid will be credited against any Transaction Fees payable under the agreement.

paid a fee since Hillair is already expected to bid regardless of Armory's efforts? As the Application currently reads, as soon as the Court signs an order approving the Application, in one form or another Armory will be entitled to a minimum of \$200,000 without demonstrating any benefit to these estates. How does that sound reasonable or even make sense? It does not.

In addition to the \$200,000 minimum fee concern, there are some other terms of Armory's engagement that are not reasonable (or at minimum, need to be clarified):

- a. To the extent the Transaction Fee is based on a Transaction Value that includes an "earn-out or contingent" payment component, the Debtors should clarify that no fee is earned unless such earn-out or contingent payments are actually received.
- b. The Application provides that whether or not any transaction contemplated by the Engagement Letter is proposed or consummated, the Debtors shall "reimburse [Armory] on a monthly basis for its reasonable travel and other reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (including all fees, disbursements and other charges *of counsel to be retained by Armory*)." Application, 7:16-21 (emphasis added).
 - i. It is unclear what "travel" will be required of Armory, but any travel and other out-of-pocket expenses should be subject to review and approval by the Court, Committee and creditors.
 - ii. Is Armory also retaining professionals (attorneys) at the cost of the Debtors? More professional fees at the expense of creditors of these estates? For what? The unnecessary and unreasonable professional fees need to be cutoff.
 - iii. "Such reimbursements shall be made promptly upon submission by Armory Securities of statements for such expenses." Application, 8:21-22. No oversight or pre-approval? Armory's attorneys' fees must be subject to review and approval before payment is made by the Debtors.

There is no evidence submitted that supports the amount of these fees. Armory needs to provide evidence that its fee request is "market."

As discussed above, the professional fees being accrued in these cases are out of proportion to the simple nature of these cases, and the spigot needs to be turned off – or, at least not opened more. The Court should not allow Armory to earn the Transaction Fee at the expense of the Debtors' other stakeholders unless Armory actually plays a meaningful role in securing a recovery (through a sale or refinancing) that would not otherwise be available to unsecured creditors.

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If Armory is retained, it should be on terms that will (a) reasonably compensate Armory for services performed for the benefit of the estates and creditors, and (b) properly incentivize Armory to pursue and obtain transactions that will add value to these estates. The Application fails to accomplish these objectives.

IV. <u>RESERVATION OF RIGHTS</u>

Ohanessian expressly reserves its rights to raise any issue properly before the Court at the hearing on the Application as well as any subsequent hearing thereon. Ohanessian also expressly reserves its right to amend or supplement this Objection, to introduce evidence supporting this Objection at any hearing on the subject matter of this Objection, and to file additional and supplemental objections at the conclusion of discovery on such matters.

V. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

For the reasons discussed above, Ohanessian requests that the Court deny the Application and order such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Dated: July 22, 2019 RAINES FELDMAN LLP

By: /s/ Hamid R. Rafatjoo
Hamid R. Rafatjoo
Attorneys for Shahan Ohanessian

DECLARATION OF HAMID R. RAFATJOO

I, Hamid R. Rafatjoo, hereby declare and state as follows:

- 1. I am an attorney admitted to practice law in the State of California and before this Court. I am a partner of Raines Feldman LLP, counsel to Shahan Ohanessian ("Ohanessian"). I make this Declaration based on facts within my personal knowledge. If called upon to testify, I would testify to the facts set forth in this Declaration.
- 2. I make this Declaration in support of the Objection to Application to Employ Armory Securities, LLC as Investment Banker Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 327(a) and 328(a), Rule 2014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2014-1 (the "<u>Application</u>") [Docket No. 179]. Any term not specifically defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Application.
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8	hourly rate of \$595 and "if other Force 10 personnel are required, they will be charged at their
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10	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California and the United
11	States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.
12	Executed this 22nd day of July, 2019, in Los Angeles, California.
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Scoobeez et al 13-Week Cash Flow Forecast																	- DRAFT -
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Invoiced Undated Routes		945,000	945,000	945,000	945,000	845,000	1,000,000	900,000	900,000	900,000	850,000	850,000	850,000	850,000	850,000	11,630,000	
Total Invoiced	1	945,000	945,000	945,000	1,038,989	686'886	1,093,989	686'866	686'866	686'866	943,989	943,989	850,000	850,000	850,000	12,381,909	
Beginning Cash		2,172,173	1,741,550	1,855,900	1,504,000	2,104,596	826,286	1,634,382	536,357	1,438,441	2,031,026	1,283,665	1,437,424	1,136,968	1,898,806	1,741,550	
Collections		880,000	905,000	945,000	945,000	945,000	945,000	945,000	1,038,989	638,989	1,093,989	686'866	686'866	686'866	943,989	12,627,920	100.0%
Cash Disbursements:																	
Fuel		000'09	60,000	000'09	63,660	23,660	63,660	63,660	63,660	63,660	53,660	53,660	20,000	20,000	20,000	749,279	2.9%
Payroll & Payroll Expenses		996,573		1,130,000	- 25	1,247,545		1,227,545			1,197,545		1,137,545		1,020,000	6,960,181	55.1%
Vehicle - Hertz			520,000	42,200	000'06	42,230		470,325		70,000	42,230	550,325		000'06	42,230	1,790,650	14.2%
Vehicle - Accidents/Tolls/Citations	ions	2,500		2,500		2,500		2,500		2,500		2,500		2,500	,	15,000	0.1%
Worker's Compensation		7,000	150,000	2,000	7,000	2,000	7,000	150,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	150,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	520,000	4.1%
Rent & Utilities		20,500			20,500	. :				20,500				20,500	. ;	61,500	0.5%
Insurance		80,000			. 60	80,000		- 00		80,000		, 00			80,000	240,000	1.9%
Phones & Service		20,000	7 500		20,000		- 2	20,000	, ,	20,000	. 7500	20,000	. 2		20,000	100,000	%8.0
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Dues & Subscriptions		16,650			000'6	16,650		,		9,000	16,650			000'6	16,650	76,950	0.6%
Car Wash		,	3,000		3,000			3,000			3,000			3,000	,	15,000	0.1%
Other Expenses	ļ	10,000	10,000	10,000	18,594	18,594	18,594	18,594	18,594	18,594	18,594	18,594	10,000	10,000	10,000	198,755	1.6%
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	ents	1,270,473	750,500	1,256,750	304,254	1,483,199	96,754	2,002,874	96,754	306,254	1,346,199	800,008	1,254,295	192,000	1,268,400	11,158,315	88.4%
Operating Cash Flow		(390,473)	154,500	(311,750)	640,746	(538,199)	848,246	(1,057,874)	942,234	632,734	(252,211)	193,909	(260,307)	801,989	(324,411)	1,469,606	11.6%
Financing Cash Flows																	ò
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Debt Interest Rank Fees		40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	520,000	4.1%
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Restructuring Cash Flows						000					000				000	000	Š
Debtor Counsel						350,000					200,000				20,000	60,000	% 4. C
Debtor Advisor		,	,	,	,	60:000	,	,	,	,	60.000	,	,	,	60.000	180.000	1.4%
Board of Directors (2 Individuals)	ds)					5,000	,				2,000		,		2,000	15,000	0.1%
Buchalter			,	,	,	140,000			,	,	80,000	,		,	20,000	270,000	2.1%
Committee Counsel		,	,	,	,	20,000	,	,	,		40,000	,	,	,	50,000	110,000	0.9%
Committee Professionals			,	,	,	20,000	,	,	,	,	20,000	,	,	,	20,000	150,000	1.2%
Post Petition US Trustee Fees						54,961							,			54,961	0.4%
Restructuring Cash Flows	ı					699,961					455,000				365,000	1,519,961	12.0%
Net Total Cash Flow In / (Out)		(430,623)	114,350	(351,900)	965'009	(1,278,310)	808,096	(1,098,024)	902,084	592,584	(747,361)	153,759	(300,457)	761,839	(729,561)	(572,305)	4.5%
Cumulative Cash Flow			114,350	(237,550)	363,046	(915,265)	(107,169)	(1,205,193)	(303,109)	289,475	(457,885)	(304,126)	(604,583)	157,256	(572,305)		
Ending Cash Balance		1,741,550	1,855,900	1,504,000	2,104,596	826,286	1,634,382	536,357	1,438,441	2,031,026	1,283,665	1,437,424	1,136,968	1,898,806	1,169,245		
Collateral Package																	

Collateral details and amounts are being reviewed by the debtor and its advisors, and is subject to material changes.
 Estimated outstanding secured loan balance was provided by Hillair Capital's counsel and is disputed and currently under review by the debtor and its advisors.

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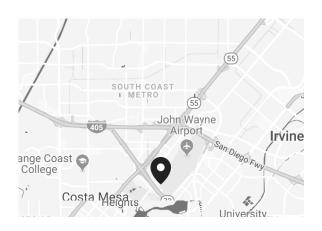
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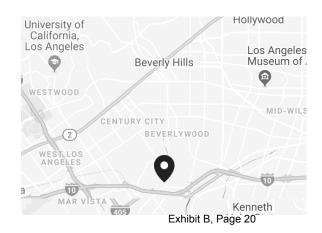
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